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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT **PURSUANT TO 35 U.S.C. §121**

This is in response to the Restriction Requirement dated October 20, 2004.

The Examiner has required restriction pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §121. The Applicants elect Species I, a method of facilitating supply chain collaboration drawn to FIG. 2, which includes claims 1-13, 26-38, and 51-53.

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This election is being made without prejudice to Applicants' rights with respect to Claims 14-25 and 39-50, Species II, including the right to file divisional applications thereon.

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